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TO S. M. J.

A chant and a wail we utter today,
As you are about to go away;
A chant of success and Godspeed as you go,-
A wail for ourselves who suffer so.

We'll miss the one who always cheers,
A friend whom we have known for years;
And now we stand with sad head hung
And wring our hands as they ne'er were wrung.

The winter solstice is now at hand,
Telling of storm and ice in the land.
For us tis a season doubly drear,
Missing your genial presence near.

Oh, if compassion plays a part,
In the bigness of your heart;
(And we consider that a fact)
Then a promise we will extract.

To make the Brigham each year a visit,
And take good care that you do not miss it.
For be it even in wind and storm,
We'll ever be ready with a welcome warm.

Dec. 20th,1916.

Massachusetts General Hospital

Boston, February 21, *19* 57

Sir:

At a Meeting of the Trustees of the Massachusetts General Hospital, held this day, you were appointed

Director Emeritus
School of Nursing and Nursing Service

for the ensuing year,

Respectfully,

George S. Lesa

Secretary.

To Sally Johnson, R.N.

By Sally Johnson
n.d.

Mr. Curtis and Friends:

I have never ceased to be grateful for that opportunity of being a member of that original group of men and women who laid the enduring foundations of this Peter Bent Brigham Hospital and School.

To take part in the creation of any object is a satisfying experience, and when the thing created is as important as a good hospital the experience is especially satisfying.

In the four years that I was here I learned more about the administration of a hospital and of a nursing school than in any other four years of my life.

Dr. Howard's ability as a hospital administrator has never been surpassed. Men of real genius are few, and Dr. Cushing is one of the few. Dr. Christian possessed the power to stimulate and encourage others to make the utmost use of their abilities. Had he not possessed that power I should never have found myself teaching a group of Harvard medical students those first classes in nursing procedures. And who among us of that early group is not considerably more of a person because of our association with that man of God, Dr. Francis Peabody.

During those early years I saw Miss Hall stand firm in her determination to incorporate into this school the principles and practices that she believed to be progressive and sound. There were times when she had to defend those principles and practices. That she defended them is evidence of her courage. That they were accepted is evidence of her patient interpretation. That they proved sound is evidence of her wisdom.

To Miss Hall, more than to any other one person, you of the Alumnae owe that feeling of satisfaction which you experience when in reply to the question, "Which is your school?" you answer, "The Peter Bent Brigham".

And now you have given to me the privilege of sharing with you even more fully than I have in the past, the satisfaction of belonging to this hospital and school. As a tangible evidence of this prized relationship I accept this honorary diploma and school pin.

Federal Security Agency
United States Public Health Service
for Meritorious Service

IN RECOGNITION OF THE WARTIME CONTRIBUTION OF

Sally Johnson

AS INSTRUCTOR FOR MEMBERS OF THE U. S. CADET NURSE CORPS

This Nation will always be indebted to the Instructors in Schools of Nursing who prepared the largest classes of student nurses in history for military and essential civilian nursing.

As an Instructor your influence will be reflected in each of the young women to whom you have imparted your skill, knowledge, and wisdom. Through them you have cared for hundreds of patients. You have produced the graduate nurses of tomorrow who will be a vital factor in the public health of our country and of the world.

Thomas Parran

Surgeon General.